

**CLAIM SET AS AMENDED**

1. (Currently Amended) An electrofusion joint made of a thermoplastic resin comprising:

a saddle portion provided with heating wires embedded in its seating surface to be joined to an outer circumferential surface of a resin pipe;

a spigot projecting from said saddle portion or projecting in a lateral direction from a trunk portion projecting from said saddle portion and to which a branch pipe is to be connected; and

collar portions formed on both sides of said saddle portion so that a latch of a clamping device can be engaged; wherein a recess is formed ~~at least in a part on said collar portion side, along the base of said spigot or said trunk portion projecting from said saddle portion.~~ only on a collar portion side in an entire circumference of a base of the spigot or the trunk portion.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously Presented) The electrofusion joint as set forth in claim 1, wherein the electrofusion joint is a saddle joint.

5. (Previously Presented) The electrofusion joint as set forth in claim 1,  
wherein the electrofusion joint is a service tee joint.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Previously Presented) The electrofusion joint as set forth in claim 1,  
wherein the saddle portion has a wall thickness in a range of 6 to 9mm.

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9. (Cancelled)

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Cancelled)